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ABSTRACT

One implementation provides a hand-held device to control motion of a pointer on a display screen. In this implementation, the device includes a shell, a pressure sensor, and an actuator. The shell is capable of being held by a hand. The pressure sensor contains pressure-sensitive zones that are each associated with a direction of motion of the pointer on the display screen. The actuator is positioned to be manipulated by a digit (e.g., finger or thumb) of the hand holding the shell. When the actuator is manipulated, it presses against at least one of the pressure-sensitive zones to cause the pointer to move on the display screen in a direction determined by the direction of motion associated with the at least one of the pressure-sensitive zones against which the actuator is pressed.

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